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Copies of the listed documents are attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The listed documents are in a non-English language. Accordingly, to satisfy the requirement for a concise statement of relevance, English-language abstracts are attached for each listed document.

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